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SUBJ : NIGERIAN HEALTH SERVICES PANEL TO VISIT US

1. NIGERIAN HEALTH SERVICES PANEL IS SCHEDULED TO VISIT THE
U.S. FROM JULY 10-20, 1977. ITS TENTATIVE SCHEDULE: DEPART
WASHINGTON D.C. FOR CHICAGO JULY 14; DEPART CHICAGO FOR NEW
YORK JULY 17; DEPART NEW YORK FOR NIGERIA JULY 20. THE DELEGATION
NUMBERS SEVEN: MR. JUSTICE M. MUHAMMAD, CHAIRMAN; DR. C.G. OKOJIE;
MR. T.S.B. ARIBISALA MR. H.O. MOHAMMAD; MR. M.A. OWOREN; MRS. T.
BOWYER; AND MR. O. OSAENWETE, PANEL SECRETARY.

2. THE NIGERIAN HEALTH SERVICES PANEL WAS ORGANIZED JULY 1, 1976,
TO (A) EXAMINE WAYS AND MEANS OF PROMOTING AND FOSTERING HIGH
STANDARD OF MEDICAL PRACTICE AND DELIVERY OF ALLIED HEALTH SERVICES
IN NIGERIA BY MAINTAINING SERVICE CONDITIONS CONDUCIVE TO SUSTAINING
HIGH MORALE IN THE PROFESSIONS, (B) TO EXAMINE AND ADVISE
THE FEDERAL MILITARY GOVERNMENT(FMG) ON THE STRUCTURE AND
ADMINISTRATION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN NIGERIA WITH CONCEN-
TRATION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT BOARDS

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THROUGHOUT THE FEDERATION, (C) TO EXAMINE THE PROBLEMS OF
THE BRAIN-DRAIN IN THE HEALTH SECTOR AND ADVISE THE FMG ON
HOW TO INDUCE QUALIFIED NIGERIANS ABROAD TO RETURN HOME,
(D) TO EXAMINE AND ADVISE ON ANY OTHER MATTER WHICH MAY BE
RELEVANT TO THE EFFICIENT FUNCTIONING OF HEALTH SERVICES.

THE PROFESSIONS INVOLVED IN THE HEALTH SERVICES INCLUDE

MEDICINE, DENTISTRY, PHARMACY, NURSING AND MID-WIFERY, MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE, RADIOGRAPHY, AND PHYSIOTHERAPY.

3. THE PANEL WOULD LIKE TO OBTAIN AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE ASAP ON FOLLOWING: (A) THE CONDITIONS OF SERVICES (SALARIES, HOURS OF WORK, ETC.) OF DOCTORS IN RELATION TO THOSE OF OTHER MEDICAL AND PARA-MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND TO OTHER PROFESSIONALS WITHIN THE GENERAL POPULATION OF THE COUNTRY; (B) HOW THE HEALTH SERVICES ARE FINANCED AND THE ALLOCATION TO HEALTH IN THE TOTAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET; (C) ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND TRAINING SCHEMES FOR VARIOUS CATEGORIES OF SPECIALISTS IN THE HEALTH FIELD; (D) ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION OF HEALTH MANAGEMENT BOARDS; (E) ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION OF VARIOUS SPECIALIZED DEPARTMENTS, E.G., PHARMACY, DENTISTRY, RADIOLOGY AND RECORDS; (F) SAMPLE SET-UP OF TRAINING ESTABLISHMENTS FOR VARIOUS CATEGORIES OF PERSONNEL; (G) NUMERICAL RELATIVITY OF DOCTORS TO OTHER SPECIALIZED CATEGORIES OF HEALTH PERSONNEL AND THE TOTAL POPULATION OF THE COUNTRY; (H) CAREERS INFORMATION BOOKLETS; (I) DRUG MANUFACTURING FACILITIES WHICH EXIST WITHIN OR OUTSIDE THE HOSPITALS AND THE SYSTEM BY WHICH THE DRUGS ARE PROCURED, STORED AND DISTRIBUTED; (J) ADVICE ON THE PROBLEM OF PRIVATE PRACTICE BY MEDICAL PERSONNEL IN GOVERNMENT SERVICES.

4. WE ASSUME HEW CAN PROVIDE ABOVE INFO, BY CABLE OR POUCH, AND ARRANGE AN ITINERARY OR SUGGEST STOPS IN EACH CITY. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER HEW CAN ACCOMODATE THESE REQUESTS.

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